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MEMORANDUM FOR: DDCI

FROM : Assistant to the Director

Attention is invited to the first two paragraphs on page 12 and to the first paragraph on page 4, which taken together will lead to the conclusion that the actions

statements.

I question the wisdom of making these

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The further statement, "We have developed ways of piercing the Iron Curtain" followed by "I cannot give you any details, but must wrap my cloak of secrecy around me very securely" is to me a questionable admission by so senior an intelligence official as the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence. This is a little bragging aimed perhaps at giving the American people some confidence in CIA. Since CIA has a policy of not making public statements admitting or denying activities charged to it, the self pat on the back in this instance is something that might not give confidence at home, but would have propaganda value for use by potential enemies.

RECOMMENDATION: That the first two paragraphs on page 12 be deleted.

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